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GOVERNOR APPOINTS PINAL COUNTY RESIDENT TO CITIZENS CLEAN ELECTIONS COMMISSION

PHOENIX – Governor Napolitano announced today the appointment of Jeffrey Fairman to the Citizens Clean Elections Commission. Fairman who resides in Casa Grande with his wife Pat Griffen, is the first Pinal County resident to serve on the Commission, and is appointed for a five-year term beginning February 1, 2007.

Fairman has more than thirty years of experience working in the public and private sectors managing economic and community development programs. A former board member of GPEC, the Arizona Association for Economic Development, and the Peoria Sports Complex, and past executive director of several economic development organizations, Mr. Fairman has extensive experience both staffing and serving on boards.

"Jeffrey is an ideal fit for the Clean Elections Commission," Governor Napolitano said. "His work, focused on forging partnerships between elected officials, the legal community, and citizen groups, will serve him well on the Commission."

Under Arizona statute, eligible applicants to the Commission cannot be appointed to, elected to, or run for any public office, including precinct committeeman, or served as an officer of a political party for the previous five years.

Fairman is a registered Democrat; statute requires the vacancy to be filled by a Democrat or an Independent. He is replacing Ermila Jolley of Yuma, who was appointed by Governor Hull.